

PORT OF GREAT YARMOUTH

I. AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE PORT DURING THE YEAR.

Table A.

	Arrivals #		Number inspected and re-inspected		Number reported defective	Number of vessels on which defects were remedied	Number reported as having or having had during the voyage, infectious disease on board
	Number	Tonnage	By the A.C.H.	By the Inspector			
Foreign (Steamers) Motor Sailing Fishing	174	38,819	3 - - -	28 125 - -	8 4 - -	7 4 - -	- - - -
TOTAL FOREIGN	174	38,819	3	153	12	11	-
Coastwise (Steamers) Motor Sailing Fishing	814 221	151,421 8,840	- - - -	19 118 4 44	3 11 2 6	3 0 1 5	- - - -
TOTAL COASTWISE	1,035	160,261	-	182	22	17	-
TOTAL FOREIGN AND COASTWISE	1,206	199,080	-	335	34	28	-

* Detailed figures of shipping entering the port are not available.
/ Includes mechanically propelled vessels other than steamers.

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Section I - STAFF

TABLE A.

Name of Officer	Nature of appointment	Date of appointment	Qualifications	Any other appointments held
R. J. Grant	Port Medical Officer	1.6.48.	B.B.S., M.A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.	Medical Officer of Health, County Borough of Great Yarmouth.
G. M. Reynolds	Deputy Port Medical Officer	1.7.54.	B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.	Deputy Medical Officer of Health, County Borough of Great Yarmouth.
F. R. Parmenter	Port Sanitary Inspector	30.1.53.	Cert. B.I.L.J.B. and Inspector of Meat and Other Foods.	Chief Sanitary Inspector, County Borough of Great Yarmouth.
F. T. Porter	Deputy Port Sanitary Inspector	15.7.53.	Cert. B.I.L.J.B. and Inspector of Meat and Other Foods.	Deputy Chief Sanitary Inspector, County Borough of Great Yarmouth.

Address and telephone number of the Medical Officer of Health:-

Dr. R. J. Grant,
Health Department,
Town Hall,
Great Yarmouth.
Telephone: Great Yarmouth 3233.

Section II - AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR

TABLE B.

Ships from	Number	Tonnage	Number inspected		Number of ships reported as having, or having had during the voyage, infectious disease on board
			By the U.S. H.	By the Inspector	
Foreign Ports	336	81,968	3	103	-
Coastwise	806	155,419	-	13	-
Total	1,142	237,387	3	116	-

Section III - CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEAR.

PASSENGER TRAFFIC.

There was no passenger traffic during the year.

CARGO TRAFFIC.

Principal imports and exports for 1955 are shown below:-

Imports.		
Cattle cake	...	1,406 tons
Coal	...	171,762 tons
Grain	...	131,711 qrs.
Groceries	...	3,857 tons
Manures	...	15,248 tons
Seal, etc.	...	8,261 tons
Metals	...	4,772 tons
Oyster shells	...	844 tons
Paper	...	2,241 tons
Petrol	...	10,255 tons
Salt	...	8,575 tons
Stone	...	8,213 tons
Strawboards	...	5,101 tons
Wood	...	23,431 standards
Wood pulp	...	791 tons
Miscellaneous goods	...	3,805 tons
Exports.		
Cattle cake	...	120 tons
Grain	...	85,807 qrs.
Herrings	...	2,001 tons
Machinery	...	1,961 tons
Molasses	...	6,399 tons
Scrap metals	...	20,460 tons
Sugar	...	11,214 tons
Miscellaneous goods	...	1,392 tons

PRINCIPAL PORTS FROM WHICH SHIPS ARRIVE.

Belgium	-	Antwerp
Denmark	-	Copenhagen, Fredricksund.
Finland	-	Abo, Kemi, Kotka.
Germany	-	Bremen, Cuxhaven, Hamburg, Wismar.
Holland	-	Amsterdam, Rotterdam.
Norway	-	Christiansund, Kristinestad, Oslo.
Sweden	-	Falkenburg, Gothenburg, Kalmar, Stockholm.



Section IV - INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC.

There was no inland barge traffic during the year.

Section V - WATER SUPPLY.

(1) SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE DISTRICT AND SHIPPING.

The water for the port and shipping is supplied direct from the mains of the Great Yarmouth Waterworks Co., which also supplies the town.

The supply is continuous and adequate for all purposes.

(2) REPORTS OF TESTS FOR CONTAMINATION.

Samples of the water supply are regularly submitted for examination, and the results show it to be of consistently good quality.

(3) PRECAUTIONS TAKEN AGAINST CONTAMINATION OF HYDRANTS AND HOSES.

Hydrants are available for practically the whole length of the port, and the hoses provided by the water company to supply ships are thoroughly flushed before use.

(4) NUMBER AND SANITARY CONDITION OF WATER BOATS, AND POWERS OF CONTROL BY THE AUTHORITY.

There are no water boats operating in the port.

Section VI - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS, 1952.

(1) LIST OF INFECTED AREAS.

Information regarding ports in Europe and on the Mediterranean coast is extracted from the Ministry of Health's weekly list, and a copy of this information is forwarded by post to the Waterguard Office of the local Custom House.

(2) RADIO MESSAGES.

- (a) Arrangements for sending permission by radio for ships to enter the district.

Although Great Yarmouth is not a radio transmitting port, radio messages can be sent to ships through the Humber or North Foreland transmitting stations.

- (b) Arrangements for receiving messages by radio from ships and for acting thereon.

Arrangements for the receipt of radio messages are the same as those for transmission. The telegraphic address is Portelth, Great Yarmouth.

(3) REGULATIONS OTHERWISE THAN BY RADIO.

Messages are received by telephone from H.M. Inspector of Customs and Excise.

(4) MOORING STATIONS.

(a) Within the docks.

A berth will be made available, its situation being subject to conditions prevailing in the harbour at the time.

(b) Outside the docks.

Yarmouth Roads anchorage.

(5) ARRANGEMENTS FOR:-

(a) Hospital accommodation for infectious diseases (other than Smallpox - see Section VII).

Accommodation for infectious diseases other than smallpox is available at the Great Yarmouth Isolation Hospital.

(b) Surveillance and follow-up of contacts.

The surveillance and follow-up of contacts would be undertaken by the Port Sanitary Inspector under the direction of the Port Medical Officer.

(c) Cleansing and disinfection of ships, persons, clothing and other articles.

In case of infectious disease, disinfection is carried out by the staff of the local authority. Persons are cleansed and clothing and other articles are disinfected as required under arrangements made by the local authority either at the Isolation Hospital or at the Northgate Hospital.

Section VII - SMALLPOX

(1) Under arrangements made by the Regional Hospital Board, smallpox cases would be admitted to Ipswich Smallpox Hospital.

(2) It has been agreed that Ipswich Ambulance Service will undertake responsibility for all arrangements for transport of smallpox cases to hospital. Applications for transport are sent to the Resident Medical Officer, St. Helen's Hospital, Ipswich. The Ipswich authority is responsible for the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews.

(3) Smallpox consultants available:-

Dr. W. A. Oliver, Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, Norwich.

Dr. A. G. Smith, 24 Unthank Road, Norwich.

(4) Specimens for laboratory examination would be sent to the Virus Reference Laboratory, Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale Avenue, The Hyde, London, N.W.9.

Section VIII - VENEREAL DISEASE.

Great Yarmouth V.D. Clinic is situated in Churchill Road, and sessions at which merchant seamen can attend are held as follows:-

Mondays	9.30 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Wednesdays	3.30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

In-patient treatment when required would be carried out under the arrangements of the Regional Hospital Board.

Masters of vessels are asked to report any cases of venereal disease among the crew, and advice is given as to when and where treatment may be obtained. Information slips regarding the clinic are issued to masters and ships' agents.

Section IX - CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN SHIPS.

TABLE D. - Nil.

Section X - OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS

No cases of malaria occurred in ships entering the port.

Section XI - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED FOR PLAGUE.

No ships infected with or suspected for plague arrived at the port.

Section XII - MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS.

(1) Ships arriving from foreign ports are examined by the Inspector in the first instance, and if any evidence is found the Rodent Officer is called in to make a more extensive search.

(2) When required, bacteriological and pathological examinations of rodents are carried out on behalf of the authority by the Public Health Laboratory, Norwich. No rodents were sent for examination during the year.

(3) Great Yarmouth is not an "approved port" for "deratting" but when any action is required trapping and poisoning is carried out by the staff of the local authority.

(4) Efforts are made to secure the efficient rat-proofing of ships and particular attention is paid to foodstores, storerooms, etc.

TABLE E.
Rodents destroyed during the year:-

Category	Number			Total
	In ships from foreign ports	In coastwise ships and fishing vessels	In docks, quays, wharfs and warehouses	
Black rats	-	-	14	14
Brown rats	-	3	184	187
Species not known	-	-	-	-
Sent for examination	-	-	-	-
Infected with plague	-	-	-	-

TABLE F.

Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates issued during the year for ships from foreign ports:-

Great Yarmouth is not an approved port.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS (APPLICATION TO SHIPPING) ORDER, 1951.

Four certificates were issued in accordance with Article 3(2) (b) of the Order.

Section XIII - INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES.

TABLE G.

Inspections and Notices:-

Nature and number of inspections		Notices served		Result of serving notices
		Statutory notices	*Other notices	
British ships	7	-	-	-
Foreign ships	105	-	3	3 complied with
British fishing vessels	4	-	-	-
Total	116	-	3	3 complied with

* Including verbal notices.

Section XIV - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL-FISH) REGULATIONS, 1934 AND 1948.

There are no shell-fish beds within the port.

Section XV - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS.

Great Yarmouth is not an approved port for the landing of aliens.

Section XVI - MISCELLANEOUS.

Should a death occur on board ship in the port, the body would be removed to the mortuary and arrangements for interment made according to circumstances.

